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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: E. H. Knoche

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: DCI Goals and Objectives, FY 1977

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1. I have read with interest the DCI Goals and Objectives for FY 1977 that were distributed on 22 October 1976. I was pleased—though not, of course, surprised—to find that there is a close relationship between them and the CIA Objectives forwarded to OMB on 6 October 1976 as well as the work now underway and planned in the Executive Advisory Group (EAG). I thought it might be worthwhile to draw these two sets of documents together for our mutual understanding and have done so by relating your statements of goals to specific initiatives underway in CIA.

<u>DCI Goal</u>: Assure the existence of capabilities to enable the DCI to identify substantive intelligence matters and problem areas which require consideration at senior levels of the Executive Branch and/or by Congress.

2. As you know, the Agency's first goal is to sharpen its capabilities to give policy-makers what they really need. To that end, the EAG has undertaken a thorough review of the scope and emphasis of our substantive product, which we expect to complete before the end of this month. In this area, we will also be looking at our organizational arrangements for crisis management and strategic warning and will seek to define more clearly the particular substantive intelligence needs of Congress and the steps that can be taken to meet those needs. In addition, we will consider new procedures to ensure that alternative hypotheses—of low probability but with a potentially high impact on policy—are brought to the attention of policy—makers.

<u>DCI Goal</u>: Assure the adequacy of capabilities for data analysis and the production of timely national intelligence.

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Can't this be distributed to the DD's at least so that they too can appreciate the close relationship bet. DCI Goals and Objectives and EAG's hard, hard work? In addition, they may be able to crank the comparison into some of their speeches to seminars, etc.